

OPINION 1782

Corisa nigrolineata Fieber, 1848 (currently *Sigara* (*Pseudovermicorixa*) *nigrolineata*; Insecta, Heteroptera): specific name conserved

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers the following specific names are hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy:

(a) *minutior* Sulzer, 1776, as published in the binomen *Notonecta minutior*;

(b) *minuta* Gmelin, 1790, as published in the binomen *Notonecta minuta*.

(2) The name *nigrolineata* Fieber, 1848, as published in the binomen *Corisa nigrolineata*, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(3) The following names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology:

(a) *minutior* Sulzer, 1776, as published in the binomen *Notonecta minutior* and as suppressed in (1)(a) above;

(b) *minuta* Gmelin, 1790, as published in the binomen *Notonecta minuta* and as suppressed in (1)(b) above.

History of Case 2830

An application for the conservation of the specific name of *Corisa nigrolineata* Fieber, 1848 was received from Drs Antti Jansson (*Zoological Museum, University of Helsinki, Finland*) and John T. Polhemus (*University of Colorado Museum, Englewood, Colorado, U.S.A.*) on 27 August 1991. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 50: 121–123 (June 1993). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1994 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 50: 122. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1994 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 24: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Štys, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Willink

Negative votes — 2: Bouchet and Macpherson.

No votes were received from Cogger and Uéno.

Ride was on leave of absence.

Holthuis commented that Gmelin's (1790) *Notonecta minuta* was not an emendation of Sulzer's (1776) name as he did not explicitly say so. It was either a new name (not necessarily a substitute name) or an erroneous spelling.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

minuta, *Notonecta*, Gmelin, 1790, *Caroli a Linné Systema Naturae*, Ed. 13, vol. 1, part 4, p. 2119.

minutior, *Notonecta*, Sulzer, 1776, *Abgekürzte Geschichte der Insecten*, part 2, p. 91.

nigrolineata, *Corisa*, Fieber, 1848, *Nouveaux Mémoires de la Société Impériale des Naturalistes de Moscou*, 21: 527.